

Doctor of Laws, honoris causa

February 26, 1999

Hope Sealy

Treasurer,

It is my pleasant duty to present to you and to this Convocation, Hope Sealy and ask that you confer upon her the degree of Doctor of Laws, honoris causa.

Appointed a lay benchers in 1991, her quick intellect combined with her articulate and reasoned presentation, honed by her years as a broadcast journalist soon earned her the respect of the benchers and made her a worthy and effective representative of the public in Convocation.

As a benchers she made a significant contribution to the regulation of the legal profession in Ontario, as she participated in the work of the bench on numerous standing and special committees including the special committee which examined, restructured and implemented a new model of governance for the Law Society.

Her understanding of human nature informed by a strong faith enabled her to put a human face to the Law Society when functioning as a Complaints Commissioner and as a member of the discipline panels.

We are indebted to her for her contribution to the profession and the public and I ask therefore Treasurer that you now confer upon her the degree of Doctor of Laws, honoris causa.